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Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
Expedited Procedure Requested
Examining Group. 1731

Attorney Docket No. P21299

In re application of : Andreas MESCHENMOSER

Serial No. : 09/982,175

Filed : October 19, 2001

For : SHOE PRESS

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in the above-captioned application.

- ___ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.
___ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
___ A Request for Extension of Time.
___ No Additional Fee.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

Claims After Amendment	No. Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
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Total Claims: 39	*39	0	x 9=	\$	x 18=	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims: 6	**3	3	x 42=	\$	x 84=	\$ 252.00
Multiple Dependent Claims Presented			+140=	\$	+280=	\$0.00
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☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17, including any required extension of time fees in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission (37 C.F.R. 1.136)(a)(3)

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action of November 19, 2002, the instant amendment being submitted by the two-month date after the final rejection, i.e., by January 19, 2003, reconsideration of this action and allowance of all the claims of the present application are respectfully requested and are now believed appropriate in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows (Marked-up copies of the amended claims are attached as an Appendix):

6. (Amended) A shoe press for processing a fibrous material web, comprising:
two shoe press units arranged to form an essentially level press nip elongated in a web travel direction;

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